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Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation Application of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP02/02649 filed on March 11, 2002 of:

entitled: **PASSENGER CAR HAVING A FUEL TANK MOUNTED BETWEEN THE VEHICLE SEATS AND METHOD OF MAKING AND USING SAME**

1. Specification, including 14 claims (10 pages).
2. Two sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1- 2.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
4. Assignment of the invention to Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft.
5. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document 101 16 268.5, filed in Germany on March 31, 2001.
6. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending International Application No. PCT/EP02/02649 filed on March 11, 2002.
7. Information Disclosure Statement w/3 cited references.
8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$375/750 = \$750.00
Total Claims	<u>14</u>	-	20 = <u>0</u>	x \$9/18 = \$
Independent Claims	<u>2</u>	-	3 = <u>0</u>	x \$42/84 = \$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$140/280 = \$
Total Filing Fee				\$750.00

Two checks in the amount of \$750.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #080437.52298US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DDE', is written over a horizontal line.

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